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BIRTH.
On 10th March, at Tientsin, the wife of KARL
F. MULCHERS, of a son.

MARRIAGES.
At Chefoo, Arthur Barnes, of the Wil-
shire and Chinese Regiment, Transvaal Governor-
and Agent for Emigration, to MARY
ANTONIA WATERTHORPE, of Chinkiang.
On 4th March, at Yokohama, EVELYN MARY
JOHNSON, daughter of THOMAS SCHMIDT BAKER,
of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corpora-
tion, to ADAM JOHNSTONE McCUTCHEON, fourth son
of WILLIAM McCUTCHEON, J.P., of Clairmont,
Lockhartie, Dunfriesshire, Scotland.

The Daily Press.
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LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, MARCH 15TH, 1905.

The rise and progress of the external trade
of Australia forms an interesting chapter
in the history of the world's commerce.
According to the New South Wales Govern-
ment Statistician, it is larger than that of
any British possession, India alone excepted,
and, if the transit and re-export trade be
excluded, compares very favourably as re-
gards proportion to population with that of
any other country. In 1903 the recorded
imports were valued at £27,811,471, against
£17,562,960 in 1891. The figures were
higher during several of the intervening
years, the volume of imports naturally being
affected by fiscal changes and other causes.
The recorded exports have, however, consist-
ently maintained, with few exceptions, an
upward tendency, the values rising from
£17,399,636 in 1891, to £24,170,164 in
1903, making the total trade in the latter
year £85,981,635, as against £34,962,616
in 1891, an increase of £51,019,019, the
value per inhabitant in 1903 being £21
18s. 11d. The total trade during the last
three years, £262,702,635, was exceeded
during the same period only by Great Brit-
ain, £808,815,270; Germany, £30,931,000;
America, £503,739,690; and France,
£352,390,440, all the other countries of the
world being each below the Australian

figures, Belgium, with £172,932,000, occu-
pying the highest place, and Greece, with
£8,601,170, the lowest. "One-third of all
goods now imported into Australia," says
Mr. COGHLAN, "may be said to be of
non-British origin, as compared with
about one-fourth ten years ago. The
chief factor in bringing about the
change is undoubtedly the establish-
ment of direct and rapid communication
between Germany, France, Belgium, Japan,
the United States, and the Commonwealth.
Twenty years ago it was difficult, if not
impossible, to obtain goods direct from the
continent of Europe or the eastern sea-
board of the United States; now there is
fortnightly communication with Hamburg
and Bremerhaven by a line subsidised by
the German Imperial Government, and with
Marseilles, Havre, and Dunkirk by the
Messageries Maritimes—a line heavily sub-
sidised by the French Republic." The ex-
ports display features similar to those
revealed by the imports, especially the in-
crease of exports to foreign countries. All
this, however, does not prove that the
Commonwealth consumes fewer commodities
of British origin; it simply shows that
Continental and American trade is now
conducted direct with the Commonwealth,
instead of through British ports, as
formerly. Every year steamers of greater
tonnage and higher speed are visiting
Australian ports, and, says Mr. COGHLAN,
"a considerable expansion of commerce
must of necessity take place, owing to the
new outlets for trade which have been
opened up." The principal articles im-
ported from the United Kingdom cover an
extensive field, the leading values in 1903
being: Piece-goods, £4,377,361; apparel and
attire, £1,517,637; iron and steel, £1,297,928;
machines and machinery, £1,141,591; and
manufactures of metal, £1,199,372. The
leading imports from British possessions
are considerable; those from New Zealand
comprise gold, native pine, cats, butter,
cheese, hides, and flax. Imports from India
include bags and sacks, tea, canvas, and
castor oil; from Ceylon, tea; from Canada
flour, agricultural implements, and timber;
from Hongkong, sugar and opium; from
Mauritius, sugar; from Ocean Island, guano;
from Fiji, copra; from New Guinea, gold,
and from the Straits Settlements, pepper
and other spices, tapioca, and kerosene oil.
In imports from foreign countries, the
United States led the way in 1903 with
£6,368,532; Germany following with
£2,358,553; Netherlands and Java, £847,387;
France and New Caledonia, £506,667; Bel-
gium, £341,271; Japan, £330,121; Sweden
and Norway, £244,172; Italy, £153,787;
and the South Sea Islands, £75,571; the
imports from other countries totalling
£1,432,882. The principal imports were as
follows:—United States, boots and shoes,
food produce, agricultural implements,
machinery, metal manufactures, leather, printing
paper, kerosene oil, tobacco, tools of trade,
vehicles, and timber; Germany, wearing
apparel, dynamite, candles, fancy goods,
pianos, machinery, piece-goods, metal manu-
factures, and mautures; France, cream of
tartar, piece-goods, spirits, and wine; and
Sweden and Norway, timber. Of the
Australian exports to countries not under
the British flag fully 85 per cent. were taken
by France, Germany, the United States,
and Belgium, a fact which tends to explain
the increasing volume of imports from
those places.

The s.s. *Veteran*, late *Thales*, is now named
Yoku-ura Maru.

Japan's rice crop last year was 21.5 per cent.
above the average.

The Shanghai A.D.C. is transconducting all
records with "Mon-sieur Beaureire."

The Shanghai Municipal Council is teaching
Chinese the art of bricklaying.

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day with cargoes of coal.

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Before Mr. H. H. J. Gomperts at the Police
Court yesterday, two coolies were each fined
\$15 for dredging for coal in the man-of-war
anchorage.

Judge Sweeney, says the *Manila Calligrapher*,
has no mercy on the vagrants. E. de Ocampo
and M. Baptista were sentenced by the judge to
six months in Bilbao and a fine of \$100 gold
each with costs.

Facilities for shopping in Kowloon are
rapidly increasing. The latest addition is the
Terminus Stores, which we are informed
conduct business with excellent prospects;
and for the rest, attention is directed to the
advertisements on our front page.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough commence their
two days sale of a very fine collection of Japanese
curios this afternoon. The same auctioneers
announce that they will sell at their Sales Rooms
tomorrow morning a number of rolls of superior
silk from the Chinese Imperial looms.

The s.s. *Westminster Bridge*, from Barry
with coal yesterday, had an accident during
the voyage. In the China Sea, her intermediate
crank-shaft broke. The engineers were seven
and a half days making temporary repairs before
the vessel proceeded on her journey to Hongkong.

The fourth competition for the Smyth Cup
(Hongkong Volunteers) will take place at Tai
Hang Range on Sunday next at 9:30 a.m. The
only alterations to handicaps are as follows:—
Gunner Wright, 9, 10, 10; Gunner Hall,
9, 10, 10; Gunner Jackman, 11, 12, 12; Gunner
Biden, 11, 12, 12.

"Rebellion of Wat Tyler: Death of the
Ring-leader," are the headings in a contemporary
to an historical lecture. They are as
"new" as the "screams" of an American
and editor to the report of a sermon on the
plagues of Egypt.—"Horrible Affair in Egypt
—Boils and Blains Everywhere—Pharaoh Interviewed," and so on.

A *Manila Daily* says there is an effort being
made, supposedly by E. C. McCullough and
Company, to amalgamate three weekly papers of
Manila.—The *Sunday Sun*, *Town Topics* and
Sporting News. They are all published by
the well-known firm, and are all said to be con-
siderably indebted to it. The plan is to have
one weekly only, it is said none of the
present four pay.

The hearing of the claim for \$648 for biscuits
supplied, the *Hop Loong v. Weissmann Limited*,
was concluded at the Supreme Court yesterday
morning. Mr. Justice Smith reserved his
decision. Mr. Goldring, solicitor for the plain-
tiff, in conclusion said that he understood that
the biscuits were ordered for the Baltic Fleet;
but His Honour reminded him that if this were
so it did not come out in evidence.

A sailor named Wilson was charged before
Mr. H. H. J. Gomperts at the Police Court
yesterday with stowing away on board the s.s.
Algyde from Cardiff. Defendant informed
His Worship that he stowed away to come out
here to see his relations. His Worship said
there were plenty of men "on the beach" here
who could not get anything to eat, and provided
defendant could not find his relations he would
probably swell the number. The case was
remanded in order that the Police might make
enquiries concerning Wilson's friends.

The *Manila Calligrapher* says:—J. R. Simp-
son was taken off the steamer *Taming* bound
for Hongkong on a warrant issued on
the charge of endeavoring to leave the country to
defraud his creditors. The warrant was issued
on the application of the proprietors of the
Colonial Livery Stables to whom concern
Simpson owed \$225. He told the livery stable
keepers that he was a civil engineer employed
on the Bengtou road and promised to pay as
soon as he could collect his salary. Nothing
was suspected until it was learned that he had
taken passage on the *Taming*.

With reference to the comments made by
"Banay" in our yesterday's issue on the
statistics quoted by Dr. Atkinson last week to
show the decline in Malaria disease in the
Colony during the last four years we are in-
formed that the mortality statistics quoted
were those for the whole of the Colony and
not those of the hospitals only. This makes it
clear that since the Sanitary authorities began
their campaign against the mosquito the death
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TELEGRAAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

SUICIDE OF A SHANGHAI BROKER.

SHANGHAI, 13th March.

Mr. Henri Vinay, exchange broker,
residing in the French Concession,
committed suicide to-day by shooting
himself with a revolver. The motive
of the act is unknown.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL]

MORE BOOTY.

TOKYO, 13th March.
The army in the Hungking quarter reports
to-day the capture of the following
trophies:—

Rifles—2,200.
Machine Guns—Six.
Rifle Cartridges—320,000.
Light Railway Materials—sufficient for
33 miles.
Weap ons—450.

The Russian corps on the field number
1,200; 80 prisoners were taken; and the
Russian casualties in this quarter were
estimated at over 20,000.

A TOTAL ROUT: YINGPAN OCCUPIED.

TOKYO, 14th March.
The report received this morning states
that in the direction of Hungking, our detachment,
on the 13th inst., occupied Yingpan,
eighteen miles east of Fushun, dislodging
the enemy therefrom. In the direction
of the Shao, our forces at various quarters
continue to chase the remnants of the enemy.
In the mountainous district east of Tiehling
road, a considerable number of the Russian
officers and men came to surrender.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

RUSSIA'S ENORMOUS LOSSES.

LONDON, 12th March.
Marshal Ozama reports that the Russian
prisoners now total 40,000, and are increasing
momentarily. The Russian casualties
estimated at 90,000. The Russians left
26,500 dead on the field.

General Kuropatkin, telegraphing yester-
day, throws little further light on the
situation, but mentions that he has received
no report from his third army.

NOT OUT OF THE WOOD THEN.

LONDON, 12th March.
General Kuropatkin wiring at six on
Friday evening, says: "our retreat has
been of the most dangerous character, but thanks
to extraordinary efforts our armies are now
out of danger."

NO PEACE OVERTURES.

LONDON, 12th March.
The Foreign Office at St. Petersburg
denies the rumours of peace overtures.

Count Cassini, Russian Ambassador to
the United States, in an emphatic statement
published at Washington, says that he has
been acquainted for several weeks with the
Tsar's final decision to carry on the war,
regardless of time, until victorious, and that
preparations are already made for sending
large reinforcements to General Kuropatkin.

ROZHDESTVENSKY'S FLEET.

LONDON, 12th March.
It is explained at St. Petersburg that
Admiral Rozhdestvensky's fleet is only
due to sail to meet at Jibuit to meet the third Baltic
squadron.

THE MARINE INSURANCE MARKET.

Writing on Feb. 2nd, the *Times* correspond-
ent says:—

War risk underwriters had an arrival to-day
to cheer them up. The British steamer *Duscan*
safely reached Vladivostok on January 20. She
was from Cardiff with coal, and it is understood
she had passed through the Tsushima Straits.
The insurance on hull and cargo amounted to
about £50,000. Since the fall of Port Arthur
released the Japanese navy and allowed attention
to be paid to Vladivostok there have been
nine captures and five arrivals. One of the
steamers which arrived was uninsured, so that
from the point of view of the market there are
nine captures and four arrivals. Seventy
guineas were paid to-day for re-insurances on
steamers at sea, but there was not much business
done.

Experience of captures and arrivals has so
far done little to determine the relative safety of
the three routes to Vladivostok—Tsushima
Straits to the south, Tsugaru Straits to the
east, and Li Pooung Straits to the north.
Both the steamers from the Pacific, *Wyfold*
and *M. S. Dollar*, were seized in the Tsugaru
Straits, and steamers using the Tsushima
Straits have had varying fortunes, some

HAMBURG.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

7th Feb.

COAL STRIKES IN GERMANY.

The strike in the coalfields of the Ruhr continues. Of 240,000 miners, about 200,000 are idle. Money seems to be coming in pretty freely, and both the English and Belgian unions have expressed their sympathy with the men; and have voted pecuniary contributions. The movement is extending to Silesia where several pits are reducing their output as part of their men refuse to work; in Belgium a general strike of the colliers in support of the men in Westphalia is threatened. In the latter region the persistent refusal of the Masters' Association to enter into negotiations with the men until work shall have been resumed at all the pits, is causing increased ill-feeling and bitterness, for numerous works in the neighbourhood and beyond have been obliged, through want of fuel, to close partly or altogether, and others are following their example every day. The number of unemployed thus growing rapidly, whilst the shopkeepers and other tradespeople who to a great extent are dependent upon their custom, are suffering severely and in many instances are ruin staring them in the face. Nevertheless, so far no serious disturbances have taken place. Cases of intimidation, of the use of the knife, and of rough handling of those willing to work, and destruction of property, have occurred; and the Masters' Association has found it necessary to address a protest to the two Prussian ministers, of commerce and of the interior, for having given a too favourable account of the peaceful attitude of the men. Still on the whole things remain pretty quiet, and hopes are entertained by some that, in view of legislative measures promised by the government, the strike will gradually die a natural death. Government has appointed six separate commissions to investigate matters at the different pits, with the intention of bringing in during the present session a bill for the amendment of the existing mining laws and regulations, to be largely based on their reports.

COAL PRODUCTION.

The following figures, dealing with the production of coal in Germany during the last seven years may possess some interest under present circumstances. The total output has been, in thousands of Tons.

Coal.

1904	1903	1902	1901	1900	1899	1898
120,634	116,634	107,474	105,544	103,240	101,640	96,310

Lignite.

48,560	45,956	43,120	44,458	40,498	34,204	31,646
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Of Coke 12,331,000 Tons were turned out last year against 11,569,259 in the previous one; and of Briquettes (compressed fuel) 11,417,000 against 10,476,000.

About 55 per cent. of the coal is contributed by the Oberberg district of Dortmund, the scene of the present strike, say in round numbers 67,470,000 Tons, whilst about 5/6 of all the coke, say 10,777,000 Tons, are made there; the Silesian coalfields yield about 25 per cent. or 30,596,000 Tons, but produce little or no coke. Lignite is found almost exclusively in the district of Halles/Saale where the output last year amounted to 32,547,000 Tons, or two thirds of the whole production of the Empire; here too is the chief seat of the manufacture of Briquettes.

The Imports into Germany in thousands of Tons were as follows: Coal 7,290 of which 5,805 from the U. K. against 6,765; 5,334 in 1903; Lignite 7,766 against 7,962, principally from Austria.

THE NORTH SEA AFFAIR.

The North Sea enquiry in Paris has so far disclosed no new facts: the English fishermen who have been called as witnesses adhere to their former statements that they saw no torpedo boats except the Russian ones; and that no Japanese, nor torpedoes nor arms of any description were on board any of the trawlers. The Russian officers on the other hand maintain that they were attacked by one or more torpedo boats and strung to say their Norwegian pilot bears them out in this. It is evidently a case of mistaken identity; the craft they saw must either have been the hospital ships of the fishing fleet or some of their own men of war, which seems extremely likely, as the *Kamschatka* had remained miles behind, whilst the *Duvel* and another vessel, which were supposed to be 17 miles ahead suddenly turned up close to. That the Russians were liable to commit errors of judgment of that nature is sufficiently proved by their firing on the Swedish steamer, the *Adebron*, and on several German and other boats. The explanation suggested by some Paris paper that the mysterious ships belonged to the British navy and were shadowing the Baltic fleet unbeknown to the authorities in London is too absurd to require refutation. I am afraid the result of the enquiry will be most unsatisfactory.

THE ORIENT BANK.

The Orient Bank recently founded in Athens has opened a branch office in this city, "the centre of the German trade with the Near East," the intention being to act in close co-operation with the Levant Steamship Company, one of the directors of which has been appointed head manager of the new Bank in Hamburg.

COTTON.

Cotton has at last taken a turn; after coming down from 9d on Feb. 2 last year to 3d in the beginning of the present one, prices began to attract the attention of speculators whilst planters and other holders in the South of the States determined to make a stand against the depreciation of their property. They decided at a meeting held at New Orleans ten days ago to hold back their Cotton for the present until more remunerative rates should have again been reached, to plant 25 per cent less than last year, and to use less fertilizers. Whether the acreage will really undergo a reduction remains to be seen, but there can be no doubt that Cotton is no longer coming forward freely and that the stocks everywhere are firmly held. The Bears,

although still professing to follow in lower prices, seem to have covered heavily and are still buying, whilst trade in Manchester is phenomenally good, causing a large demand on the part of spinners in the Liverpool market. Prices have advanced about a half penny within the last fortnight and the question now is, at what price will the Americans let us have the balance of their crop? Things have come to pass very much as I predicted some time ago; the depletion of stocks of Cotton goods everywhere had become so great that people were obliged to buy and a demand has sprung up since the autumn without parallel in the history of the trade. If it had not been for the enormous crop in the States the upward movement would have come much sooner.

MUSINGS IN A HONGKONG CHAIR.

The Chinese queue, or, as the maladiscriptive but more familiar English phrase has it, the Chinese pig-tail what numerous reflections it evokes as we pass through the thronged streets in our pair-coated chair or single harness Pullman car! No synthesis, perhaps, comes of the fleeting thoughts suggested; and it may be no axiomatic conclusions. But there it is, that pigtail, coiled round the brachyccephalic skull that patiently plods ahead of us; undulating at an angle of forty-five in rear of that hurrying son of Haia we almost ran down (he was long in making up his mind whether to await our passing or to run the gauntlet); or it lies mockingly, gray, attenuated, coiled with strands of pink cord, between the shoulder blades of a stooping elder. Sometimes we see it thickly tapering to its tassel, black, glistening, flowing from beneath the jauntily set cap of a young buck, striding as毫不羞耻 as magenta silk skirts will let him, eying us insolently through oblique casements in a junipered gable. With him it is no badge of slavery, as historians bid us believe; it is the mark of manhood, the *toga virilis*, the award of the *samurai*. Long enough, often to play tambi with his lifting heels, it is too precious for such a risk. Like a woman's flounce, it must be hoisted out of mire danger. He tufts it somewhere at his waist. At another time, on another Chinaman, we behold this hideous appendage put to another use. Wrapped around and around the big brown hand of a Sikh policeman, it is gripped, close to the place of its growing, by those swarthy fingers, what time its tortured owner turns an upward profile, and follows with unwilling gait the line of least resistance. Herewith, the explanation of its origin does seem made manifest, and we wonder if the conquering *Saracens* ordered it as a mere badge of slavery or as a useful handle for the slave's master? The absence of it formerly marked him as traitor and rebellious to the Manchu rule; and part of the procedure when being initiated into a secret society was the cutting off of the queue. Nowadays there be many who are shorn, who yet would kow-tow before a certain low-born Dowager, but these be they who affect the garb of the foreign devil, and talk, with his fashions, his money, his learning, and all else of it; they can lay hands upon. The conservative Chinaman's distress at the accidental or compulsory loss of his queue, since it is still acute, even if it was, seems to require further explanation than his possible dread of being taken for a rebel, for on such evidence he is no longer liable to fear being punished as one. We wonder if there has not been a curious perversion of that which happened in the fable of the fox who left his tail in a gin. He pretended to be proud of his scandal poverty, and strongly recommended his vulpine fellows to make themselves like him. Is it, then, that the Manchu fox persuaded the Chinese foxes to adopt tails; and that they, pretending in the beginning while it was yet a thing of shame, for their own comfort, and to "save face" a pride and pleasure in the ordained excessiveness, have since fallen victim to that self-deceit, and forgotten that the vainglory was assumed? Certainly to-day the real is rough enough, not only in the case of the young buck already mentioned, but also in the grayest veteran who sits in the harbor's chair. Another Manchu edict, ordering the removal of the queue, (such an edict has been reported) would not be eagerly obeyed. So potent is habit, which is called "second nature," that what at the outset must have been hardship would be unwillingly abandoned, perhaps not until the application of a like force to that which was needed to establish it. Only the Chinese maid as yet loses the pigtail without regret, for with her disappearance spell's matrimony. And womanlike, her sacrifice is an evasion, and no real relinquishment. In the place of the dangling queue she wears an elaborate coiffure, and her hair is not lost, but gone aloft. Moreover—Bump! Ah, here we are. What? Certainly not. Fifteen cents' long proper face. Cunnshaw? Get away. Annoying people, these coolies. However, whatever they may do with their hairs, let us, as a quaint colloquialism of the London gutter puts it, "keep our hair on."

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 14th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen slightly on the E. coast of China, and fallen a little on the S. coast.

Pressure appears to be highest over N. China. Gradually continue slight and light variable winds, accompanied by foggy weather will probably prevail in the Formosa Channel and N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast.—Variable winds, light; fair, fog at times.

The information from the North is scanty.

THE RUSSIAN CRISIS.

REPORTED REFORM TRIUMPH.

The *Globe* had the following:—The situation in St. Petersburg appears to have changed for the better. The principal features of this improvement are the Czar's speech to the deputation of working men, a remarkable interview, resulting in a great modification of Imperial policy, which has taken place between the Czar and his Minister of Agriculture, and concessions made by the employers of St. Petersburg to their workers.

The exceptionally well informed correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* at St. Petersburg states that the persons arrested in connection with the recent disturbances are to be released, Gen. Troppoff is to transfer his services to Macau, the gas is to be removed from the Press, and within ten days the organ of a representative chamber will be proclaimed. M. Witte is said to have been entirely responsible for this change in the situation, but the final impetus was given by M. Yermoloff (the Minister of Agriculture), who drew up a constitution which the Czar has signed. The work of developing the reform scheme will be entrusted to M. Witte; pensions will be paid to those orphaned, widowed, or crippled on Vladimir's Day; and efforts will be made to restore order throughout the Empire by peaceful methods.

M. YERMOLOFF'S PLEA FOR REFORM.

The *Daily Telegraph*'s correspondent gives the following graphic details of the dramatic and historical interview between the Czar and M. Yermoloff, the aged Minister of Agriculture, in the Imperial apartments. The Minister had attended to present his departmental report, but as soon as the usual salutations had been exchanged, he addressed the Emperor in the following weighty words:—

"Sire—I am compelled by my sacred oath to speak seriously to your Majesty, and to utter words to-day which on ordinary occasions might appear deficient in respect. But, sir, it is fidelity to my Imperial master which emboldens me to tell you that the present system of Government has outlived its usefulness. Without the assistance of the Russian people it is henceforth impossible to carry on the business of the Empire. Troops may preserve order by violence, but they cannot rule the country. The nation is anxious for closer union with its Czar in the interests alike of the dynasty and the people."

The Emperor lost his self-control and physical serenity, and only after some time did he wholly recover his normal calm. After a considerable pause, during which M. Yermoloff remained in an adjoining apartment, the Emperor recalled him, heard him develop a scheme for the pacification of the country, and finally commanded him to take paper, pen, and ink, to write to the next room, and embody his ideas in a *Ukase* addressed to M. Witte. The Minister of Agriculture thereupon rose, and after the lapse of some 90 minutes came back with a Constitution in his hand. He read it aloud, with an unsteady voice, to the Czar, who paced the apartment the while, asked no questions, and when M. Yermoloff had finished read him in hand and signed the Russian Magna Charta.

Thus, M. Yermoloff penned the document which closes for ever the period of Czardom in Moscow and marks the birth of the Russian nation. A friend, who has read the document from beginning to end, and has noticed peculiarities in the Imperial handwriting or the signature, enumerated among the essential clauses the following points:—

"1. M. Witte, in his capacity as President of the Committee of Ministers, is charged by the Czar further to extend and develop the principles of reform laid down in the Imperial *Ukase* of Christmas Day.

"2. His Majesty commands that a pension be paid to the orphaned children and cripples whose misfortune was caused by the action of troops on the historic Sunday.

"3. Order is to be restored throughout the country by peaceful methods, and the Russian people is to be invited to co-operate with the Government. Those methods are left largely to the discretion of M. Witte, and may include the Convocation of the Zemsky Assembly."

CAZAR'S GIFT TO THE SUBJECTS.

The Czar has given from his private purse 50,000 roubles for the relatives of the killed and for the wounded in the disturbances of Sunday.

PRESS CENSORSHIP DISMISSED.

It is officially announced that M. Sveref, the head of the Chief Press Administration, has been removed from his post.

BOGUS DEPUTATION TO THE TSAR.

No intelligent person, either inside or outside of the Russian Empire, will attach any importance to the deputation of working men which waited upon the Tsar, says the *Globe*. The members of it were carefully selected by the authorities, and were no more representative of the class from which they came than if they had been taken from the ranks of the St. Petersburg police and dressed up for the occasion in workmen's garb. Nevertheless, there is considerable significance in the fact that it has been found desirable to bring this sham deputation into existence, in order that the Tsar might address it in terms of laudatory encouragement and sympathy. It indicates that those who guide his policy have become aware of the urgent necessity of applying other remedies besides force to the present dissents, and it may perhaps preface the recovery by the liberal-minded M. Witte of some at least of the influence which he recently lost. In some quarters it is assumed that it is preliminary to the release of the prisoner arrested during the late disturbance, the fall of General Treppoff, the grant of freedom to the Press, and the establishment of something of the nature of a representative assembly. We can well believe that there are statesmen in Russia who clearly perceive that great reforms are a necessity of the time, but we can hardly think that they would be prepared to go so far. We can well believe that some of the Tsar's wise and more patriotic counsellors have ventured in the light of recent events to place before him, as it is positively asserted M. Yermoloff has done, the necessity of taking his people into his confidence and consulting them in some manner as to their needs and aspirations. But it is a far cry from that to the grant of a Constitution and a Free Press, and the disestablishment of the all-powerful bureaucracy.

TENNIS.

The H.K.C.C. tennis tournament commences on the 1st April, and will be continued a week day till it is finished. The events are as follows:—

- Championship.
- Singles Handicap, A Class.
- Singles Handicap, B Class.
- Double Handicap.
- Professional Pairs.

With regard to A Class and B Class for the Singles Handicap competitions, the Tennis Committee reserves the right to place competitors in either class.

COUNT TOLSTOY AND RUSSIA.

MANIFESTO TO HIS COUNTRYMEN.

Count Leo Tolstoy received the *Standard*'s correspondent on Feb. 1st at his country house, Yasenov Poliana, fifteen miles from Tula. The correspondent says:—When I arrived, I found the Count taking a constitutional with his dogs in the long snow-covered road leading to the house, and apparently enjoying the keen morning air. He welcomed me hospitably, and directed me to the mansion, where his daughter, who is his secretary, received me in the drawing-room. Tolstoy soon returned, wearing the characteristic mujik costume.

I informed him I had come to ascertain his views on the events of the recent sanguinary Sunday in St. Petersburg, and his opinion of the immediate future of events in Russia. He replied:—

"I have received requests from almost all countries recently for an expression of my views. I am preparing a general reply in the form of a letter which I hope to give to the world in a few days. I can say more over my own name in this way than in any other."

In reply to other questions, Count Tolstoy said:

"It seems that at first the workmen in St. Petersburg were led to believe that the Emperor would be pleased to accept their petition in that manner. The university students fancied the Emperor might remember incident in the early stages of the French Revolution when what began as a gathering of unarmed people ended in the hoisting of the red cap of liberty and insurrection.

"But this was not justification for the military firing on men, women, and children. The authors of the war with Japan were apparently actors in this outrage also. Both crimes spring from the evil of government by force."

"If the Grand Duke Vladimir issued the order to fire, if the Emperor approved it, then so much the worse for both the parties to so imminent an action."

"Do you anticipate any resort to revolutionary means by the Russian people as a result of the consequence of this killing and wounding in St. Petersburg?" I asked.

"No, the masses of the Russian people do not understand in that sense. Moreover, they are too poor to buy arms, while the Government could easily suppress any such attempt if it were made."

"Only a small section of the people are thinking of revolt. In resorting to force to remedy their evils they would be equally as wrong as the Emperor's troops. No great or good reform can come to Russia in that way."

"England and America exploit the people just as the governing class of Russia does, but their ways are different. What is wanted by the population of Russia is needed also by other countries; that is, the abolition of all coercive laws enabling the few to rule the many, the laying taxes for that purpose, and paying the soldiers and appropriating the land of the country for private gain."

"A revolution in Russia will come," Count Tolstoy continued, "but it will come through the spread of education, intellectual and economic, and especially through the people effecting a personal revolution in their own lives, and acquiring the true religious spirit. The people must have the law, however."

"Major-General E. J. Burnett, who initiated the present excellent method of army cookery, whereby all waste is obviated and the utmost possible made of the soldier's rations, retires this year under the age clause. Gen. Burnett's last appointment was the command of a first-class district at Bombay. He has filled several appointments at home and in India, and served in the Afghan campaign. He was created a C.B. twelve years ago.

"Major-General C. M. A. Wood, son of Field-Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood, V.C., has been posted to the 4th Northumberland Fusiliers in Ireland. He has served in the Egyptian Army and the Chinese Infantry, and was on Lord Milner's staff at the Cape.

"The War-office have definitely decided to disband the Royal Garrison Regt., and it is understood that April next has been fixed for the date when the battalions in South Africa and Halifax, N.S., will be broken up. This regiment has caused the authorities so much in separation allowance, owing to the large number of married men enrolled, that a saving approaching, approximately, half a million will be effected in the Army Estimates by the disbandment. The Army Council have approached the Treasury in the way of bounties, as it is desired that most of the men shall be compulsorily discharged.

"Secondly, I advise you clearly to understand by what means you may acquire the land. You can do this not by riots, from which God preserve you—not by strikes and demonstrations, not by Socialistic representatives in Parliament, but only by non-participation in that which you regard as evil. You should not support the inquiry of landed property either by provoking violence on the part of the troops or by working the lands owned by landlords, or even by renting them.

"Thirdly, I advise you to consider beforehand how you will dispose of the land when it does become free. In order correctly to consider this, you must not think that the lands which the landlords will renounce will become your private property. You must understand, in order that the use of the land should be justly and impartially distributed among all men, that it is not necessary to recognise the rights of anybody in landed property, even if it consist of only one square yard. It is only by recognising the land as the common property of all men—that is, nothing more pernicious for men than that—the warmth of the sun and the air—that you will be able to distribute (justly and without offence amongst all men) the possession of the land according to any one of the existing schemes, or by some new one to be devised and approved of by you collectively."

"Fourthly—and this is most important—I advise you, in striving to attain all that you require, to direct your efforts not to a struggle with the ruling classes, by means of riots, revolutions, and socialistic activities, but to the education of the masses, and the improvement of their condition, by peaceful methods, and by the creation of a new social order."

"I advise you to consider the following interview with M. Witte, obtained by my Special Correspondent in St. Petersburg:—

"M. Witte received me this afternoon at his private residence in Kamennostrovsky-street. He lives in seclusion in this vast house on the St. Petersburg side of the Neva. M. Witte is a huge man, with an impressive, dominating manner. He has aged much in the

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [694]

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. 635

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GODOWNS Nos. 34a, 34b, 34c, Praya East.
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Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. 648

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. 659

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OFFICES in "Hotel Mansions," facing
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Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. 180

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H. HUMPHREYS,
Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [49]

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FOUR or FIVE OFFICE ROOMS on
First Floor of "Hotel Mansions" facing
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Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 9th March, 1905. 675

TO LET.

HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Con-
duit Road, from 1st July, 1905.
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THE MEDICAL HALL,
Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [692]

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TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European
Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or
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**HUMPHREYS' ESTATE &
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Hongkong, 21st June, 1904. [37]

TO LET.

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.
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**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
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Hongkong, 28th March 1904. [8]

TO LET.

SUITABLE for Offices, TWO ROOMS in
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LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [61]

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ONE COMFORTABLY FURNISHED
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Hongkong, 17th March, 1903. [70]

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. 190

THE ORTHODOX CZAR.

A volume has been published, the title of which will be sufficient to arouse wide and general interest. Mr. Carl Jouber's book appears at a moment in which the whole civilised world is anxiously wondering what is "the truth" about Nicolas II. of Russia. Mr. Jouber, then who is prone to claim to English citizenship and Hungarian descent, is fortunate in being certain of the attention of his audience. His last year's book, *Russia and its Reality*, has already run through several editions. The present work brings his descriptions of the Russian situation so closely down to date as to include the Commission appointed to inquire into the Dreyer Bank incident. The writer is hampered by no particular respect for etiquette in dealing with matters that are still sub judice. Mr. Jouber has much that is interesting, if not agreeable, to say about an affair which at the present juncture scarcely lends itself to dissection. With regard to its bearing on the future, however, the following lines are worth reproduction—

"Looking at the lamentable fiasco as a guide to our future dealings with foreign Powers, it behoves us to consider what is going to be our attitude at the end of the war, when Japan dictates her terms to Russia. We may be quite sure to play the part of friend to full Russia whilst they give up what advantage they can for themselves out of the situation. And what will Great Britain, who is the ally of Japan, do then? Will she stand by and see the fruits of victory wrested from the Japanese as she did after the Treaty of Shimonekot? If we cannot stretch out our hand to defend our own honour, is it likely that we shall raise a finger to help Japan?"

Only one more corrupt, wicked, and hopeless state of things than that described by Mr. Jouber is obtaining at the seat of war can be imagined. This gives us in dealing with affairs in St. Petersburg. Though some of his prophecies have found painful confirmation since they were penned, one would be loth to believe them correct in their entirety. It is obvious that the author is animated by bitter feeling—a state of mind which does not make for sane, impartial insight.

Very wisely, he chooses for his concluding chapter the least personal and least virulent section in the whole book. Here in "The Soul of Russia" as he somewhat too pretentiously styles his concluding pages, Mr. Jouber seeks to give us something of a picture of the real backbone of the country, the simple and courageous peasantry. We should have been grateful for more of this, for of this we may judge fairly, and feel that we are learning something worth remembering. There may be truth also in many of the unsavoury stories, which precede this chapter, of wickedness in high places. But it should be borne in mind that this is very natural makes it impossible to substantiate most of the ill deeds done long ago, or never done at all, but only imagined. This book, on the other hand, fascinates because it paints terrible contingencies of the near future—catastrophes that may really have to be faced. It tells of millions of men saved and laid aside against a day of awful retribution, by man into whose very soul the hot iron of tyranny and official cruelty has entered, searing out pitifully only bitter resolution. It tells of eighty thousand sworn insurgents in the Russian ranks in Manchuria, of blood-curdling details of r-p-sals already arranged by organised revolutionaries, and of stories of explosives laboriously acquired and deposited in different parts of the country against the day of final rebellion. It describes—whether faithfully or not—the anguish of down-trodden millions, the insatiable cruelty of and corruption of officials, and the callousness or indifference of an Administration which gives no heed to those relaisc ramblings of imminent disaster which are explained with sombre vividness in this book about the land of the Czar.

[*The Truth About the Czar.*] By Carl Jouber. Eleigh Nash, 7s 6d.] Standard.

It is not pleasant reading but, to put it briefly, Mr. Jouber's description of the present Czar is the last of the Romanoffs, as he ominously calls that ruler, in the description of a man at once cowardly, mean, weak, superstitious, obstinate, and pitifully minded, a lover of the grossest flattery and a man inflamed by a childish regard for his own magnificence. The Dowager Emp

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ARRIVALS.

ALBATA, British str., 2,208. W. Nicholson, 13th March.—Peworth 1st Jan., Coal—Order.
AUSTRALIAN, British str., 1,784. G. McArthur, 13th March.—Sydney 18th Feb. and Manila 11th March, General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
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CHINCHING, British str., 1,424. H. Reppen, 14th March.—Shanghai 8th March and Suez 12th, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
DAGEN, Norwegian str., 788. S. Steensen, 12th March.—Newport 1st Jan., Coal—Order.
EMPRESA DE CHINA, British str., 3,046. R. Archibald, R.N.C., 13th March.—Vancouver 21st Feb., and Shanghai 12th Mar., Mails and General—C. P. R. Co.
FIDO, Norwegian str., 889. J. Larson, 13th March.—Cardiff 11th Jan., Coal—Order.
HALAN, French str., 377. L. Anderson, 14th March.—Pekhoi and Hoitien 13th March, General.—A. R. Marti.
LYMA, German str., 1,771. F. Ernst, 13th March.—Wulai and Chinkiang 10th March, General—Siemens & Co.
PEINZ HEINRICH, German str., 6,203. R. Meyer, 14th March.—Bremen and Singapore 10th March, Mails and General—Melchers & Co.
RAS MOKA, British str., 2,162. Kennedy, 13th March.—Colombo 23rd Feb., General—Order.
WESTMINSTER BRIDGE, British str., 2,208. A. W. Wanlock, 13th March.—London 23rd Nov., Coal—Order.
WILLIKAS, German str., 4,761. Ph. Oberauer, 14th March.—Sydney 18th Feb., General—Melchers & Co.

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Eiger, Norwegian str., for Chinkiang.
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Triumph, German str., for Swatow.
Umberto, British str., for Yokohama.

DEPARTURES.

13th March.
LANCHAN, German str., for Shanghaï.
LISA, Swedish str., for Chinkiang.
14th March.
APENBADE, German str., for Haiphong.
LAIKA MAKU, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.
EVA, German str., for Saigon.
GAEA, German str., for Bangkok.
HAIKAN, British str., for Coast Ports.
LIGHTNING, British str., for Calcutta.
LOONGOON, German str., for Shanghai.
PROGRESS, German str., for Pernambuco.
RAJAH, German str., for Amoy.
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Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [637]

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SECTION.

3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.

4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

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AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 28th inst.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	MACHAON	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP.	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	k. w.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 25th April.
MARSEILLE, LA HAVRE & HAMBURG	BIENNAISIA	French str.	—		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 26th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL.	OCEANIA	French str.	—		MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 21st inst., at 1 P.M.
HAMBURG, VIA PORTS OF CALL.	PRINCESS ALICE	Brit. str.	k. w.		MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	SIBYLLE	Brit. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 4th April.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	SILESIA	Brit. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 18th April.
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HAMBURG & HAMBURG	EGOVIA	Brit. str.	1 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 16th May.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	PANTHEUS	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-day.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	ALCORN	Brit. str.	1 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 20th April.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	MACQUEEN	Aust. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 28th inst., P.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	ST. FILIANS	Brit. str.	—		STANDARD OIL CO.	About 23rd inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	NUBIA	Brit. str.	k. w.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 25th May.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	HUDSON	Brit. str.	—		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About 23rd April.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	ATHENIAN	Brit. str.	1 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	To-day.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 29th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	OANEA	Brit. str.	1 m.		DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	On 30th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	PLEIADES	Aust. str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About 18th inst., at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	MINNEAPOLIS	Aust. str.	—		PORTLAND & ATLANTIC S.S. CO.	On 31st inst., at Daylight.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	NICOMEDIA	Brit. str.	—		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst., at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	BEIRA	Brit. str.	—		P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 19th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	CRYDON	Brit. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	WILLENDAM	Gen. str.	k. w.		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	HUGO	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 21st inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	CHINGOTO	Brit. str.	1 m.		JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	WOBANG	Brit. str.	—		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 10th A.M.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	AUSTRALIAN	Brit. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	P. HEINRICH	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-morrow.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	HANCOCK	Brit. str.	1 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 24th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	SIMIA	Brit. str.	—		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 25th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	KANSU	Brit. str.	1 m.		OSSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst., at Daylight.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	B. BJORNSEN	Gen. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO.	To-day.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	KAIMONG	Brit. str.	1 m.		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 21st inst., at Daylight.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	ZAIKA	Brit. str.	—		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 18th inst., at 10 A.M.
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HAMBURG & HAMBURG	RUBI	Brit. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	About 18th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	PLEIADES	Aust. str.	—		SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 25th inst.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	SUNGKANG	Brit. str.	—		MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	BORNKO	Gen. str.	—		JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch.
HAMBURG & HAMBURG	TIJUAMI	Dut. str.	—		JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO.	On 21st inst., at 3 P.M.
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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"ALCINOUS"	On 15th March.
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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KAISOW"	On 25th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 28th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 1st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"LAPETES"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWO"	On 15th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"DIOMED"	On 21st April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"CALCHAS"	On 29th April.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PATROCLUS"	On 15th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"OANFA" "TELEMACHUS"	On 16th March. On 20th April.
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Hongkong, 13th February, 1905.

**CHINA NAVIGATION CO.
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AMOY, MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAIPO"	On 15th March.
SHANGHAI	"HANGCHOW"	On 16th March.
KOBE	"CHINGTU"	On 21st March.
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PLEIADES	3,763	F. G. Purtington	Thursday, March 30th
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LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Monday, May 15th

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FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL.

TIENTSIN "WOSANG" ... Wednesday, 15th Mar., 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1905.

LIGHTNING, British str., 2,122, J. G. Spence, 6th March.—Calcutta 15th Feb. and Straits

2nd March, General—D. Sassoon & Co.

LITA, Swedish str., 998, H. Hornslid, 4th Mar.

—Chinkiang 28th Feb., Oil and Ground-

nuts.—Chinese.

LOONGMOON, German str., 1,500, Kalkofen, 7th

March,—Shanghai 4th March, General—

Siemsen & Co.

LOTIAN, British str., 3,711, J. C. Williamson,

12th Feb.,—Port Natal 15th Jan.—Dodwell

& Co.

MADELEINE BICKERS, German str., 1,439, D.

Reimers, 11th Mar.,—Bangkok 4th Mar.

General—Butterfield & Swire.

MERCHES, British str., 2,925, G. S. McGregor,

2nd March,—Weihaiwei 25th February.—

Admiralty.

NASSOVA, German str., 3,600, Cautiony, 13th

March,—Hamburg and Singapore 4th Mar.

General—Hamburg-Amerika Line.

NORD, Norwegian str., 1,074, Fenderup, 3rd

March,—Cardiff 31st Dec. and Singapore

22nd Feb., Coal—Dodwell & Co.

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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The S.S. *Tonkin* with the French Mail of the 17th February, left Singapore on Monday, the 13th inst., at 8 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday the 20th inst. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 14th January.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FROM	TO	DATE
Canton	Pusan	Wednesday, 15th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	Wingchau	Wednesday, 15th, 7.30 A.M.
Haiphong	Hongkong	Wednesday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Changsha	Wednesday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Deli	Wednesday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama	Australia	Wednesday, 15th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore	Singapore	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai	Alcinous	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Ichie	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Tsingtao, Chefoo and Newchwang	Holstein	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver (B.C.)	Athenian	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tutiocorin	Princess Alice	Wednesday, 15th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
Macao	Yungshan	Wednesday, 15th, 1.15 P.M.
Tientsin	Wodong	Wednesday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Amoy, Manila, Cebu and Illoilo	Kafong	Wednesday, 15th, 3.00 P.M.
Kongmou, Kumohuk and Kaukong	Taching	Wednesday, 15th, 5.06 P.M.
Canton	Honam	Wednesday, 15th, 5.00 P.M.
Nantao	Tiuchun	Wednesday, 15th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanbuie	Hofu	Wednesday, 15th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchau	Wednesday, 15th, 7.31 A.M.
Canton	Fatsian	Thursday, 16th, 7.30 A.M.
Macao	Hengjehan	Thursday, 16th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Hengchou	Thursday, 16th, 3.00 P.M.
Kongmou, Kunchuk, Shihking and Takking	Sanzu	Thursday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Saigon	Laerles	Thursday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Kongmou, Kunchuk and Kaukong	Hongkong	Thursday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Canton	Powana	Thursday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Nantao	Taichiau	Thursday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanbuie	Hofu	Thursday, 16th, 5.00 P.M.
Macao	Wingchau	Friday, 17th, 7.30 P.M.
Macao	Yungshan	Friday, 17th, 7.30 P.M.
Kobe	Hugin	Friday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
Nantao	Taichiau	Friday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
Sanbuie	Hofu	Saturday, 18th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Zafiro	Saturday, 18th, 11.00 A.M.
Batavia, Samrang, Sourabaya and Macassar	Tijmali	Saturday, 18th, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama and Seattle, Wash.	Minnesota	Saturday, 18th, 11.00 A.M.
Amoy, Straits and Fungoo	Zaida	Saturday, 18th, 11.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tutiocorin	Oceania	Sunday, 19th, 5.00 P.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)
Singapore, Pouang and Calenta	Suisang	Tuesday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.
Kob	Ghinga	Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo	Wednesday, 22nd, 8.00 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO	Korea	Friday, 24th
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		

TO-DAY.

Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Massrs. Hughes & Hough, 2 p.m.; Theatre Royal, 9 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Sale, Silk, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes and Hough, 11 a.m.; Sale, Stock-in-trade, &c., No. 108, Queen's Road Central, Massrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.; Sale, Japanese Curios, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Lough, 2 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

14th March

ON LONDON.— Telegraphic Transfer 1/10^c
Bank Bills, on demand 1/10^c
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 1/10^c
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 1/10^c
Credit, at 4 months' sight 1/10^c
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight/1/11^c

ON PARIS.— Bank Bills, on demand 236^c
Credit, at 4 months' sight 240^c

ON GERMANY.— On demand 192^c

ON NEW YORK.— Bank Bills, on demand 453^c
Credit, 60 days' sight 462^c

ON ROMA.— Telegraphic Transfer 139^c
Bank, on demand 139^c

ON CALCUTTA.— Telegraphic Transfer 139^c
Bank, on demand 134^c

ON SHANGHAI.— Bank, at sight 71^c
Private, 30 days' sight 72^c

ON YOKOHAMA.— On demand 92^c

ON MANIL.— On demand—Pesos 91^c

ON SINGAPORE.— On demand 6 p.c. pm.

ON BATAYA.— On demand 112^c

ON HAIPHONG.— On demand 3 p.c. pm.

ON SAIGON.— On demand 3 p.c. pm.

ON BANGKOK.— On demand 61^c

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Persian fine quality \$900 to —

Persian extra fine \$930 to —

Patai New \$1140 to — per ches.

Patai Old \$ — to — "

Bonate New \$1075 to —

Bonate Old \$ — to — "

VESSELS EXPORTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. steamer *Korea*, with msr. &c., from San Francisco to the 14th ult., via Honolulu, left Yokohama for this port via Kobe, &c., on the morning of the 8th inst., and is due here on the 16th inst.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. steamer *Tonkin* left Singapore on the 13th March at 8 p.m. for this port via Saigon.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The O.S.S. & C.M. steamer *Alcinous* left Singapore on the 9th March at daylight, and is expected here to day.

The Buckland Line steamer *Beira*, from London and ports, left Singapore on the 10th March, and is due here on the 18th March.

The P. & O. steamer *Ceylon* left Singapore for this port on the 11th March at 10 a.m.

The steamer *Sagami* left Singapore for this port via Manila on the 11th March.

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Hongkong, 14th March.

COMPANY. PAID UP QUOTATIONS.

Alhambar \$200 \$100, buyers

Bauks \$125 \$740, buyers London, 277.

Hongkong & Shai. \$125 \$100, buyers

National B. of China A. Sharpe \$28 \$26, buyers

B. Sharpe \$28 \$26, buyers

Founders \$10 \$10

Bell's As. estd. E. A. ... \$12 \$12, sales

Chin. Imp. Co. ... \$10 \$10

China Light & P. Co. ... \$10 \$10

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Cotton Mills— Ewe. \$10 \$10, buyers

Hongkong \$10 \$10, ex div. buyers

International \$10 \$10, ex div. buyers

Loak Kung How \$10 \$10, ex div. sellers

Dairy Farm \$10 \$10, sellers

Docks and Wharves— Barnbau, B. & Co. \$100 \$100, buyers

H. & W. Dock \$100 \$100, buyers

New Amoy Dock \$100 \$100, buyers

S'hai & H. Wharf \$100 \$100, buyers

Penwick & Co., Geo. Green Island Cement. \$25 \$25

Hongkong & C. G. \$10 \$10, buyers

Hongkong Electric Co. \$10 \$10, buyers

H. Do. New. \$10 \$10, buyers

H. L. I. \$100 \$100, buyers

Hongkong Hotel Co. \$100 \$100, buyers

Hongkong Popo Co. \$100 \$100, buyers

H'long S. Waterfront \$10 \$10, sellers

Insurances— Canton \$50 \$50, buyers

Chi. Fire \$20 \$20, ex div. sales

Chi. Traders \$25 \$25, ex div. sales

Hongkong Fire \$25 \$25, ex div. sellers

North China \$25 \$25, sellers

Uru. \$10 \$10, ex div. buyers

Yungtze \$50 \$50, buyers

Land and building— Ho. Long Land Inv. Humphry's Estate Do. New. \$100 \$100, sellers

Humphry's Estate \$100 \$100, buyers

Ind. Chinese S. C. \$100 \$100, buyers

Oil Transport Co. \$100 \$100, buyers

Star Ferry \$100 \$100, buyers

Do. New. \$100 \$100, buyers

Shanghai & II. Dyeing \$20 \$20, buyers

Sou. China M. Post. \$20 \$20, buyers

Steam Laundry Co. \$20 \$20, buyers

Do. New. \$20 \$20, buyers

Luzon Sugar \$100 \$100, buyers

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Steamship Companies— China and Manilla \$25 \$25, sales